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1. TAN OF SINGAPORE REPORTS HIS GOVERNMENT WILL NOT GIVE HIM PERMISSION TO CHAIR SUBJECT PANEL. DELAY IN CONFIRMING THIS SITUATION IS DUE TO FACT THAT TAN WAS OUT OF GENEVA FOR SEVERAL WEEKS AND SUBSEQUENTLY WAS ENGAGED IN SEVERAL EXCHANGES WITH HIS GOVERNMENT OVER MATTER BEFORE FINAL NEGATIVE RESPONSE. HE WAS FAVORABLY DISPOSED TO ACCEPT TASK.

2. LUYTEN OF EC REPORTEDLY HAS ENGAGED IN DIATRIBE OVER ALLEGED GATT SECRETARIAT "MISHANDLING" OF PANEL FORMATION. TNA'S REJECTION OF CHAIR OF COURSE MEANS NEW CHAIRMAN WILL STILL HAVE TO BE LOCATED TO REPLACE LAI; THEREFORE CHAIR'S WORK OF FORMING PANEL AND DETERMINING AVAILABILITY OF OTHER MEMBERS IS STILL SOMETHING TO BE PERFORMED IN
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FUTURE. HOW LUYTEN PLANS PIN BLAME ON SECRETARIAT

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FOR DELAY IN TAN'S REPLY IS MYSTERY TO US. MEANWHILE, SECRETARIAT WILL UNDERTAKE TO PROPOSE NEW NAMES TO FILL CHAIRMAN VACANCY. ABRAMS

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